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For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR DRYING	:	
SUBSTRATE	:	

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the December 16, 2004 Office Action, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are in the substitute specification filed with this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper. Claims 1-3, 5-12, 14-24 and 26-28 are pending, with claims 1, 10, 20, 21, 23 and 28 being the only independent claims.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

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